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DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING

DEVICE

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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant respectfully requests that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and that the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed references are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no other possible material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a) exists.

The following references are submitted for the Examiner's review:

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Applicant understands that no fee or certification is required for the submission and consideration of this information at this time. If the fee of 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required at this time, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3092, Order No. 98-0616.01.

If there are any matters which may be resolved or clarified through telephone interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at the number indicated.

A Form PTO-1449 is enclosed herewith.

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